Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Robert "Bob" J. Dickinson was born on April 29, 1927, at Mitchell, South Dakota, to Lawrence and Esther Dickinson, the oldest of six children; and,

Whereas, Bob served in the Army Air Corps from August 1945 through January 1947; and,

Whereas, Bob married Mary Jane Jung on January 12, 1949, at the Holy Family Parish in Mitchell, South Dakota, and to that union five children were born: Lynn, Joyce, Wendy, Kim and Joel, who in turn blessed their lives with 12 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Bob spent 20 years of his working career in the sheet metal, air conditioning and heating business for Tessier's, Inc., and then spent 12 years as an instructor for Mitchell Vo-Tech, retiring in 1989; and,

Whereas, Bob is a founding member of the Holy Spirit Parish in Mitchell where he has had an active role in many aspects of parish life, is a member of the local Knights of Columbus and assists with the Mitchell Meals on Wheels program; and,

Whereas, Since retirement, Bob has enjoyed fishing, hunting, golfing and traveling to visit family and friends, and fishermen far and wide have Bob and a buddy to thank for the idea, invention and sale of the rights to the "Bottom Bouncer" for mass production; and,

Whereas, Bob will observe his 80th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2007, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all his family and friends in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State